

BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF ENFORCEMENT )	PDC CASE NO: 03-068
ACTION AGAINST )	
)	
The Washington State Democratic )	STIPULATION OF FACTS
Central Committee, )	AND VIOLATION
)	
Respondent. )	
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The Washington State Democratic Central Committee (Respondent) and the Public Disclosure Commission Staff (Staff) jointly submit this Stipulation of Facts and Violation for Commission consideration in lieu of a full enforcement hearing before the Commission. The parties agree that, pursuant to RCW 42.17.360, the Commission has the authority to accept, decline, or to suggest modifications to this Stipulation. In the interest of avoiding further proceedings, the parties enter this Stipulation. In the event the Commission, in the exercise of its discretion, declines to accept the Stipulation in its entirety, the Stipulation shall be withdrawn.

**Facts**

Both parties agree to the following facts:

1. The Respondent is a Washington State bona fide political party organization.
2. On November 28, 2000, the Respondent received a contribution in the amount of \$20,000 from the Democratic Party of Oregon. The contribution was made after

the 2000 general election for the purpose of assisting the Respondent to pay off debts incurred during the election.

3. The Democratic Party of Oregon failed to file the form C-5 with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) within 10 days of the Respondent receiving the contribution, or by December 8, 2000, as required by RCW 42.17.090(1)(l). The Democratic Party of Oregon timely and properly reported the contribution to the State of Oregon on September 14, 2001, where it was filed as a matter of public record.
4. The Respondent reported the contribution to the PDC on January 8, 2002.
5. The Democratic Party of Oregon filed the C-5 form with PDC on September 9, 2002.
6. Because the Democratic Party of Oregon failed to file the C-5 form by December 8, 2000, the Respondent was required to forfeit the funds to the State of Washington. The Respondent failed to forfeit the contribution pursuant to RCW 42.17.090(1)(l) and WAC 390-16-055.

### **Violation**

Respondent and Staff agree that based upon the facts stipulated above, the Respondent committed a single violation of RCW 42.17.090(1)(l) by failing to forfeit a contribution that was not timely reported with the PDC by the Democratic Party of Oregon.

### **Penalty**

The Respondent and Staff are unable to jointly recommend an appropriate penalty for Commission consideration, although both agree and stipulate that the penalty falls within Stipulation of Facts and Violation  
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the scope of the Commission's statutory authority for a single violation pursuant to RCW 42.17.395(4). Each party intends to present a brief oral argument before the Commission at the meeting scheduled for October 29, 2002. Respondent agrees to fully comply in good faith with Chapter 42.17 RCW.

Respectfully submitted this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2002.

/s/

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Vicki Rippie, Executive Director

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Date

/s/

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Kevin J. Hamilton  
Counsel, Washington State Democratic  
Central Committee

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Date

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